

SENATE RESOLUTION 12
By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Stephanie Louise Seiter Blansett for her meritorious service in dedication to and protection of the freedoms of this great nation.

WHEREAS, our nation was conceived by individuals who were willing to sacrifice their personal safety and concerns to ensure our individual and collective freedom, and the Volunteer State is especially proud to be the home of so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Tennesseans have continued this time-honored tradition of volunteerism through service in Civil Air Patrol, the official Auxiliary of the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Blansett has served with courage and gallantry and deserves proper recognition for heroism both in the Civil Air Patrol and in society today; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Blansett has served with great bravery and ability as a Squadron Nurse; recently, she was one of but a very few nurses to receive the first inoculations against smallpox, a responsibility she accepted despite the great risk of physical harm; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Blansett was born in New York City to John and Edmee' Shonnard Seiter; her father, a World War II decorated First Sergeant of the Army Air Corps 401st Bomb Group, was a banker; and

WHEREAS, she graduated from Pace University in New York and became a Registered Nurse in 1971; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Blansett has spent the past thirty-one years in the nursing field, and most of that time has been spent in Public Health Nursing; for the past eighteen years, she has served in the Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County Health Department's School Health program, where she supervises the school nurse program; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her skills in CPR and First Aid, Stephanie Blansett is a Pediatric Certified Nurse and a Certified Diabetes Educator; and

WHEREAS, she married Phillip L. Blansett, Ph.D., Major, Civil Air Patrol, in 1972, and the couple has raised three blessed children: Phillip, Jr., Paige, and Benjamin, a Senior Airman in the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, Nurse Blansett is a quiet hero, unassumingly doing what is needed, when and where it is needed, acquiring skills to make herself more successful, and seeking no recognition; and

WHEREAS, Nurse Blansett has performed her duties with the utmost skill, dedication, and professionalism; her service in the fight for freedom can only be categorized as outstanding, and she sets an example for us all; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby honor and commend Stephanie Louise Seiter Blansett for her meritorious service with the Civil Air Patrol and offer our thanks for a difficult job well done.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.